WATER USERS BOARD MEETING MARCH 7TH, 1996

Those in attendance were four board members Russel Mayer, Keith James, Joey Leko and Shaun Pearson, water commissioner Larry Maycock also was in attendance. The meeting began at 8:20p.m.. The purpose of this meeting was elect a new Board chairman.

Everyone stated why they could not serve as chairman due to commitments and schedules. Keith James suggested we elect a Vice chairperson as well to help the Chairman. It was agreed that each board member would need to help share the responsibilities.

Russel Mayer made the motion that Keith James be nominated as Chairman of the board, Shaun Pearson seconded the motion, motion passed. It was suggested and agreed that each board member would help share some of the responsibilities. Joey Leko said he may serve as Chairman next year after he learned more from this first year on the board.

Keith James and Joey Leko said that they had a number of water users express their thoughts as to the outcome of the vote on water regulations. It was discussed the possibilities of a re-vote and include on the ballot a Third Alternative: To regulate with both Alternative One and Two. Some of the water users had expressed that this third option hadn't been discussed or presented. The board discussed this and decided that to have a re-vote would take more time and that if Alternative One or Three were voted it would be too late in the year to start the processes necessary to begin regulation, therefore another year toward water regulation would be lost. All board members were in favor of staying with Alternative One: Regulate water by water measurement.

Water Commissioner Maycock explained the problems with the Grainland meters and whether they should be replaced or repaired. It was decided that if they could be repaired that for now that is what should be done.

The Water User Association is going to order 40 meters. Larry is to replace the problem areas first. The first meter the water user is to buy, the association will pay for them thereafter. Joey Leko made the motion to have all meters in place within 3 years, Keith James seconded, motion passed.

It was suggested and agreed that Pito tubes already in place and efficient will be replaced last. The water user can sign the UP&L consent form to allow the commissioner to read the Pito or he can install a meter now.

Larry said he would get the pipe measurements on the 40 wells that will be receiving the first meters. He will have these by the March 15th Board meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 10:20 p.m.